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## BUDGET CUTS FORCE DEAN TO END IMMIGRATION CLINIC

by Donna Berkelhammer

The Immigration Clinic will close after the 1993-94 school year because the George Washington University administration recently cut \$325,000 a year from the approximately \$16 million National Law Center budget.

No cuts will be made next year because the money will be taken from a law school reserve fund, Dean Jack Friedenthal said. "This is terrible," said Professor Eric Sirulnik, director of clinical programs. "The University keeps bleeding the law school, which in itself has horrible consequences. Here, the cuts come on the back of immigrants seeking asylum. . . . It's a life and death situation. These people go back to their countries and face persecution and they literally end up dead."

The Immigration Clinic costs roughly \$50,000 a year for the director's salary, according to Sirulnik and Friedenthal. The contract of Immigration Clinic Director Paul Grussendorf, an associate professor of clinical law, expires June 30. Friedenthal said he decided to cut Grussendorf's position immediately so the faculty

review committee would not spend time considering whether to rehire Grussendorf.

Faculty may remain a year after their contracts end for a "terminal year." In an April 12 letter informing Grussendorf of his decision to cut the position, Friedenthal said: "...I will continue to fund your clinic through the 1993-94 year if you determine to remain, which I hope and expect you to do." Grussendorf said he has not decided whether he will continue teaching next year.

Twenty-six students a year participate in the clinic, which serves approximately 250 clients a year. Students represent clients at various hearings before the Immigration and Naturalization Service, other administrative agencies and appeals courts.

The clinic was started in 1978 and was the first immigration law clinic in the country. Originally it was funded by various governmental programs. As it became more popular with the students, funding was taken over by the

NLC, according to Sirulnik.

Friedenthal said he had known budget cuts were imminent, but was not told the amount or the permanent nature of the cuts until recently.

"We don't have fat in our law school," Friedenthal said. "I like to think we use every dollar we get efficiently without waste. We are conservative, careful spenders."

The NLC has trimmed staff during the past several years, he said.

"It's damn hard to make the cuts," Friedenthal said. "There's no staff person I can let go. People say, 'Let's fire a secretary or administrator.' We don't have anyone in that position."

Friedenthal chose to cut the Immigration Clinic partially because it was the most vulnerable program at the NLC with Grussendorf's contract expiring. Grussendorf, who has been on faculty since late 1986, was easier to cut than a faculty member who had worked longer at the NLC, Friedenthal said.

Because faculty members are allowed a terminal year, he needed to

tell Grussendorf the position would be cut, Friedenthal said. Additionally, he



Prof. Grussendorf

wanted the faculty to know the entire situation before they went on a retreat during the weekend. "This may not be my first choice of cuts, but it's the only one I've got at this stage of the game," Friedenthal said. "So I did not hesitate. It does not affect our dedication to the clinical program."

The clinical program is the least cost-effective curriculum at the NLC because each professor works with such a small number of students, Friedenthal

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## PROFESSOR BRUFF MEETS WITH UKRAINIAN LEADERS

by Robert B. Fox

Professor Hal Bruff, one of the newest additions to the NLC staff, had the opportunity that many constitutional law scholars only dream about -- to help advise a budding nation on how to structure its constitution.

Professor Bruff was invited to be a member of a delegation formed by the Administrative Conference of the United States, a small intra-government organization which advises the U.S. government on the effectiveness of U.S. policy and programs. The conference was invited to Kiev, Ukraine

by the Institute for Public Administration, a Ukrainian government think tank, to discuss the advantages and disadvantages of U.S. law.

The delegation from the Administrative Conference consisted of Professor Bruff, the chairman and general counsel for the organization, Professor Don Elliott of Yale Law School, members of the Securities and Exchange Commission, and members of the Commerce Department. The delegation engaged in conference sessions with the think tank as well as press conferences and television interviews with the Ukrainian press.

Professor Bruff's duties were to offer insights and to answer questions on some of his specialties: separation of powers, the court

system, and the concept of local autonomy. All of these are important issues to the Ukrainians who, after more than 70 years of Soviet oppression and highly centralized control, are trying to learn and determine the advantages of democracy and a federal system. Questions included how to grant local autonomy to the Crimea, an area once under Russia and now desiring some level of self governance. "The top-down command structure of the old Soviet system is gone, leaving a vacuum and doubts as to how to fill the void," Bruff said.

"One of the greatest moments", Bruff recalled, "was meeting a member of the highest court of the Ukraine who is in charge of writing the new constitution. It was like meeting the Madison of the Ukraine."

However, the success of this future constitution and the nation as a whole appears to be tightly linked to the success of Russia and Boris Yeltsin. "During the clash between Yeltsin and the Russian Congress, the

Ukrainian people and press were following the conflict with deep interest and concern."

The economy of the Ukraine is becoming more stable by the day. "They are no longer using the Ruble [the old Soviet, and now Russian currency]. Instead, they are on a coupon system." More importantly, basic food stuffs appear to be available in the stores and long lines are not always present. The only shortage that was visible to the group was that of gasoline.

On a lighter side, the only shortage that directly affected Professor Bruff was the lack of an up-to-date sports page. He said he had problems finding out how the Colonials were doing in the NCAA tournament. "I was getting the scores from two-day old International Herald Tribunes."

Professor Bruff said he left with a "terrific affection for the Ukrainian people... It was really a thrill to see a proud people throw off an oppressive government and form their own nation."

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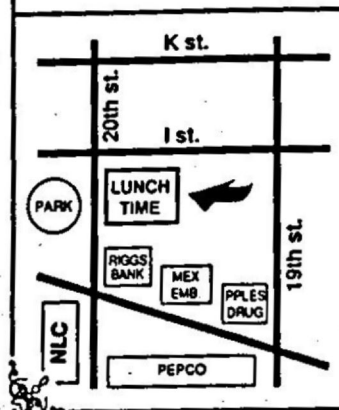
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# Protest Staged Against Conditions of Haitian Refugees

by Robert Ukeiley

A protest was held at the National Law Center against the United States policy towards Haiti on Wednesday, April 14. The event was sponsored by the Black Law Students Association and the Student Bar Association.

The protest had two focuses, the first being a petition drive. The petition urged President Clinton to use non-violent methods to work towards the restoration of democratic rule in Haiti. The petition further urged that until democracy is restored in Haiti, the United States should allow fleeing Haitians to apply for refugee status.

In September of 1991, a military coup ousted President Jean-Bertrand Aristide. At that time, continuing until today, thousands of Haitian activists faced persecution by the bloody Tonton Macoutes for their involvement in the democratic movement that brought Aristide to power. Many Haitians fled Haiti to avoid brutal repression.

However, under President Bush, the U.S. adopted a policy of interdiction and return for fleeing Haitians. The Haitians were not allowed to apply for refugee status.

Throughout his campaign, then-candidate Clinton attacked the Bush administration's interdiction policy, not only as immoral, but also as illegal. However, only days before his inauguration, President-elect Clinton announced that he would continue the Bush administration's policy of interdiction and summary return of all fleeing Haitians.

The second focus of the protest was a hunger strike in solidarity with the 197 Haitians now being held in a prison camp on Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. The Haitians applied for refugee status before Bush imposed his interdiction policy. All of these Haitians have proven that they have a plausible claim for refugee status. However, because they are HIV positive or related to someone who is HIV positive, they are not allowed to come to the U.S., return to Haiti, or

even go to another country.

Cubans disembarking from the same boat as Haitians are not screened for HIV while the Haitians are screened. In addition, the Center for Disease Control has publicly stated the HIV status is not a valid reason to deny a person refugee status. Secretary of Health and Human Services Donna Shalala was prepared to remove HIV status as a determination of refugee status when Congress stopped her.

The Haitians at Guantanamo Bay have been held in horrible conditions. Sanitation is abysmal and despite the refugees special medical needs, the government has done little to insure proper nutrition beyond a minimum number of calories. Fresh fruit, vegetables and milk are nearly nonexistent.

Following an escape attempt two weeks ago by 11 refugees, U.S. military personnel launched a nighttime raid on the camp, dragging people naked from their beds, beating and arresting dozens. Alan Ebert, a lawyer for the

refugees reported that in addition to the beatings, at least 10 women were vaginally searched for "weapons."

A leading hunger striker, Yolande Jean, was verbally abused, "stomped on" and sustained injuries. She is already in a very weak condition because of the hunger strike and has been suffering side effects from Depo Provera, an injectable contraceptive device that the United States forced many women at Guantanamo to take, even though the drug has not been approved by the Food and Drug Administration.

In protest of the treatment of the refugees at Guantanamo and in solidarity with the hunger strikers, students at Yale law school started a hunger strike two months ago. Since then, over 10 other schools have participated in the hunger strike.

Twelve NLC students and over 70 other GW students joined in a 24 hour hunger strike. In addition, over 100 students, faculty, and staff signed the petition to President Clinton.

## Professor Saltzburg Testifies at Senate Hearings on Gay Ban

by Dan Waldmann

Senate Armed Services Committee Chairman Sam Nunn (D-Ga.) opened hearings on March 29 before his committee to consider President Clinton's plan to lift the ban on gays and lesbians in the United States military. The first day of testimony focused on the legal history of the ban. Professor Stephen Saltzburg, who teaches criminal procedure and trial advocacy at the National Law Center, addressed the committee regarding legal questions which may be implicated by a decision either to lift or codify the ban.

This first day of the hearings was intended to be a nonpartisan examination of legal issues. Its purpose was to provide a context in which to evaluate the emotional debate which will likely follow in the weeks ahead. Professor Saltzburg contributed to this end by delivering a very even-handed analysis of several issues. During his address, he identified a number of issues which he believes to be central to the current debate.

The first issue Saltzburg identified is how the Supreme Court and lower federal courts can be expected to address future constitutional challenges to the ban on military service by homosexuals. Professor Saltzburg testified that traditional equal protection and due process analysis has accorded

great deference to Congress and the Executive Branch regarding military discipline. This deference may well continue. However, he noted that recent opinions suggest the judiciary may in the future recognize classifications based upon sexual orientation as suspect and thus deserving of higher scrutiny. Such a finding would lead the courts "to examine in greater detail the rationale for a ban and ask difficult questions about the rationale upon which it rests."

Professor Saltzburg also discussed the responsibilities of the President and Congress in making a constitutional determination regarding the right of gays and lesbians to serve in the military. He stated that the two branches have a duty to see that the Constitution is protected and defended for all Americans, to "provide for the common defense" while at the same time "secur[ing] the blessings of liberty" for each citizen. After raising this worthwhile point, however, Professor Saltzburg moved on without discussing what seemed to logically follow—namely, what responsibilities Congress and the President may have to support a final decision with evidence supporting its underlying rationale.

Finally, Professor Saltzburg presented to the committee a brief list of legal questions regarding military

law, which he claimed would necessarily be affected following a decision to lift the ban. Among these issues were: the types of sexual conduct which may be regulated, including sodomy, which is currently a crime under the Code of Military Justice; treatment of the partners of gays and lesbians in areas such as health benefits and housing, and how such treatment may be carried over to unmarried heterosexual couples; the privacy interests of heterosexuals forced into close living arrangements with homosexual service members; and the rights of those who have already been discharged under the policy currently in place.

Professor Saltzburg also raised the issue of the integration of blacks and women into the armed forces. However, he did not use these analogies to support the proposition that gays and lesbians are entitled to similar constitutional protections. He cited these events to illustrate that, although each integration was opposed by the military leadership, "change can be accommodated more quickly than many would predict, provided the leadership of the military services commits to making the change."

When asked by Sen. Nunn to respond to statements of The Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff General Colin Powell rejecting the comparison

of the lifting of the ban to racial integration, Professor Saltzburg both agreed and disagreed. He agreed that sexual orientation is a more direct influence on behavior than race or ethnicity. However, he recalled that in the 1940s the claim was made that the behavioral characteristics of blacks would make racial integration impossible. Ultimately, according to Professor Saltzburg, the determinative question is whether the need for deference to the military should fall in the face of a need for hard evidence supporting behavioral stereotypes.

Sen. Strom Thurmond (R-N.C.) questioned Professor Saltzburg regarding preclusion of the "inevitable" lawsuits which would follow a lifting of the ban. Such lawsuits might allege discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation in promotions and key assignments. Professor Saltzburg responded that while he felt regulation would be unnecessary, he would recommend a strong statement from Congress condemning discrimination. Professor Saltzburg did not see any way for the government to regulate every individual's private biases.

Other testimony was provided by Professor David Schleuter, Professor of Law at Saint Mary's University, who

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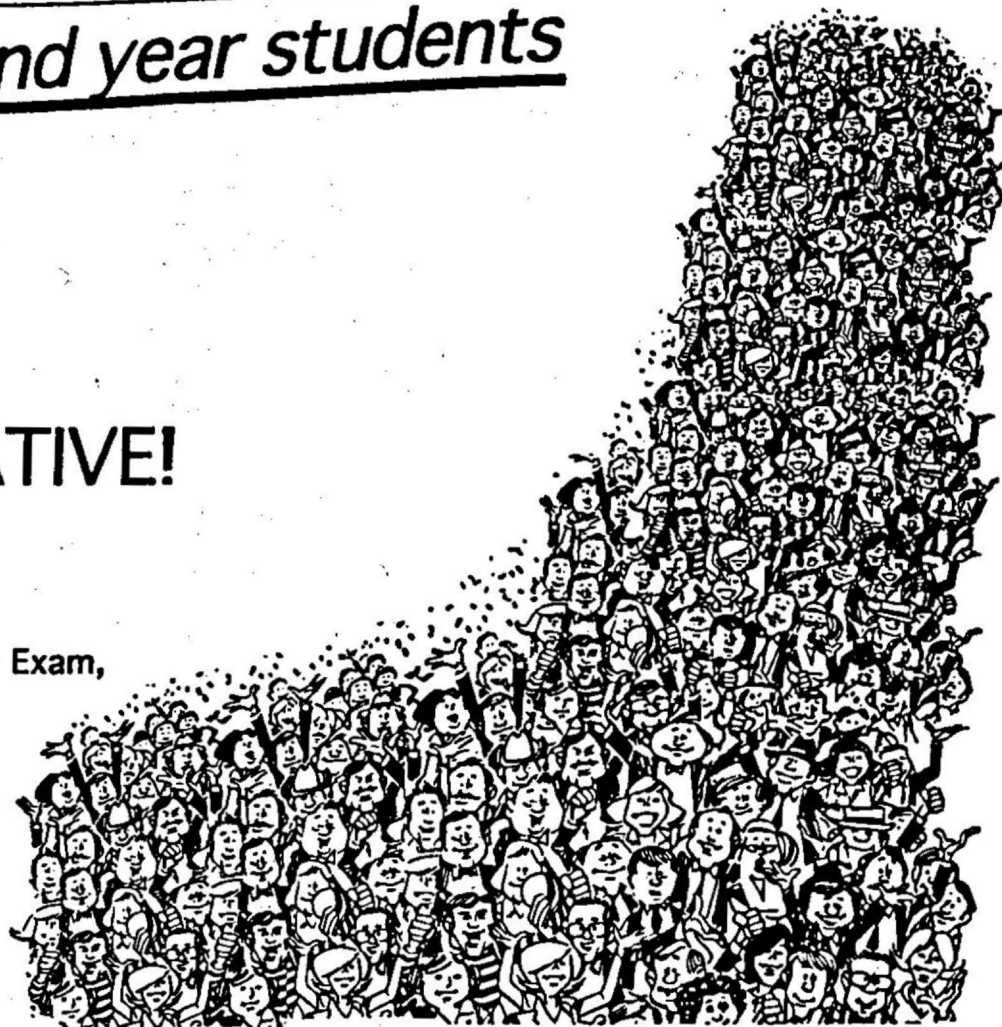


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Friedenthal said he has not determined what else will be cut for the 1994-95 budget to compensate for the \$325,000 budget reduction. "This is the only decision that needed to be made a year in advance," he said.

Current Immigration clinic students said they were disgruntled to hear of the program cut.

"This is ridiculous, this was the most positive experience I've had in this law school since I've been here," said student Fara Danzig. "It's ridiculous that the school doesn't see that."

Other students questioned Friedenthal's decision to cut one of the few public interest programs at the NLC.

"We'd like to see more study," said student Jeff Bechtel. "I've never seen the dean down here. Then at the last second, they cut the clinic."

The Immigration Clinic is one of eight at the NLC. About 200 students participate in the clinics, with another 250 involved in outside placement, Sirulnik said.

"The Immigration Clinic is particularly effective in giving students access to live clients," he said. "The immigration bar is known as exploitative. It works with poorly educated, illiterate, unsophisticated people. There is a great shortage of legal services. We are the biggest single provider [of immigration law services] in the Washington area."

Cutting the program also hurts students who seek actual legal experience, Grussendorf said.

"I go to court three times a week," he said. "Each time I have a student with me who helps argue, strategize, work with the client and gets experience. This program gives students the most experience at being lawyers."

Local immigration judges often commend the program, Grussendorf said.

"The reputation of the clinic is very high in the community," he said. "We are constantly getting public feedback from the immigration judges where we appear. They tell us our students are better prepared than most of the private bar. It would be a real shame if students no longer had that type of experience."

Friedenthal said he did not consider the reputation of the clinical program in making his decision and that the cut does not affect the clinical education available at the NLC.

"This doesn't destroy our reputation," Friedenthal said. "We have a very viable, very significant clinical program. People contract stuff all the time. If we cut a course, for example, on the law on Finland, it doesn't mean we are reducing our commitment to international law. It doesn't mean we're not sorry that the course is gone."

Grussendorf said he was not sure what would happen to the clinic and the clients if he decided not to remain for his terminal year.

"On a personal level, I'd tell [the dean] if that's the way he feels, I'm out the door tomorrow," Grussendorf said. "But there are legal/ethical reactions. I'm entangled with more than 250 cases. We have a full calendar of hearings fall semester. The school would have to find someone to work with clients I've been working with for years. I don't feel I can turn my back on them to walk away."

Friedenthal said he would rather not have to cut the clinic, but is faced with few alternatives.

"Students tend to think the faculty doesn't bleed," he said. "Faculty and students tend to think the dean doesn't bleed. But I didn't come to George Washington to cut and limit programs. I came to build, to be a part of a first class organization. We're well

on our way. When we have glitches, we'll deal with them."

Friedenthal said perhaps the program could be saved before the cuts go into effect for the 1994-95 year if the clinics found alternate funding or alumni gifts increased.

Sirulnik, director of clinical programs, said he already raises between \$250,000 and \$300,000 a year from outside sources for the clinical program.

"Perhaps if [GW president Joel] Trachtenberg hadn't spent \$26,000 on that full page ad in Washington to get people to cheer for the basketball team and then he hadn't spent another \$10,000 on those gift packs, he would have enough money for the clinic," Sirulnik said. "This is stupid."

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## Dean Underestimates Clinic Value

To the Editor:

The undersigned members of the Spring 1993 Immigration Clinic recently learned that the clinic will be closed down after the next academic year for financial reasons. In a letter to Professor Grussendorf, Dean Friedenthal stated that the elimination of the immigration clinic "will have far less impact on the overall academic program for our students than would cuts in other areas." We disagree.

We first want to make it clear that we understand that it is Dean Friedenthal's unenviable job to make difficult financial decisions. We also understand that some programs need to be cut to meet the University's budget outlays. What we don't understand, however, is how Dean Friedenthal can make such a broad conclusion about the academic value of the Immigration clinic without careful study. In fact, as far as we know, not one former or present student was contacted for his or her opinion on the proposed cut-back.

The immigration clinic is not only one of the busiest clinics which employs the most students per year, but it is also the most needed within the community. For those readers who are unfamiliar with the background of the clinic, a quick review would be useful.

1) The clinic employs 26 students per year and is the only student-run immigration clinic in the Washington, D.C. area.

2) The clinic represents indigent immigrant clients who would find it difficult to find legal representation elsewhere. The clinic has served an average of one hundred such clients per year and has two hundred and fifty cases still pending.

3) Cases are referred to the clinic by a broad array of community organizations and community leaders, such as immigration judges, immigration officials, the Organization for Civil Rights Under The Law, The Central American Refugee Center, the China Human Rights Group, and the United Nations High Commissioner on Refugees.

4) The clinic students represent clients before immigration judges in deportation and asylum hearings, file asylum applications, write legal memoranda, and conduct client interviews.

5) Alumni of the immigration clinic are employed by the Board of Immigration Appeals, Immigration Judges, the I.N.S.

Central Office Policy Division, asylum officers, and private firms.

Within the surrounding community, there are many individuals who benefit from our work, and who lend a great deal of praise to the National Law Center's unique clinical program. Clients represented by the Immigration Clinic face deportation and

exclusion proceedings and come to the clinic, most often, with hopes that they will not be forced to return to their brutal homelands. These are real people with real stories of persecution. Somalians, Ethiopians, Sudanese, Bulgarian, Chinese, Central Americans, we do not discriminate. And with each new story and each new person whose affidavit we write, whose asylum interview we attend, whose court hearing we conduct, we learn more about the world around us, about who we are, and what type of attorney we want to be when we graduate from law school.

It is the consensus of the undersigned members of the Spring 1993 Immigration Clinic that we have learned more about the practice of law in the immigration clinic than in any other course. We have practiced oral advocacy in the presence of real judges, met with clients with real-life problems, and have learned how, as legal counsel, we can really make a difference in our society.

Dean Friedenthal's unilateral decision to shut down the Immigration Clinic was an unjust, uninformed decision which merits further consideration. Before a decision with such wide-ranging effects is undertaken, it deserves at least some review as to its overall impact. Eliminating the clinic will be a great disservice to the surrounding community and to the reputation of our law school, partly earned by our clinic's longstanding relationship with the community. What will happen to the hundreds of pending files that remain within our office? Doesn't the law school have an ethical obligation to all of its clients?

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### Letters To The Editor

## By What Authority?

To the Editor:

By what authority do you speak? I agree with our national motto, "In God We Trust," and defer to God regarding homosexuality. In response to last issue's articles that were critical of Matt Glomb's March 8, 1993 "Gays in the Military" article, I'll discuss: (1) the reliability of the Bible, (2) the Establishment Clause, and (3) what a loving response to homosexuality is.

**Reliability of the Bible.** I've heard lots of arguments opposing the believability of Scripture such as "How can anybody believe the biblical account of creation? Evolution is a fact." None of us were there to observe the beginning of time, but the evidence supports creationism more than evolution. Consider the following. Charles Darwin was a theologian—not a scientist. According to evolutionists, the earth is billions of years old and, by chance, a simple life form came into being, i.e., life was produced from nonliving matter. Eventually, the simple life form evolved into a cell. The cell eventually evolved into fish. Then fish to amphibians; amphibians to reptiles; reptiles to birds and other animals and eventually humans. Scientists have failed in all attempts to produce life from nonliving matter. As far as the process of evolution goes, what the evolutionists need is time (billions of years) to support their theory.

Imagine going to a science class and the teacher sets a worm on a table and says, "By the end of this one hour period, this worm may, after millions of reproductions, evolve into a human"—unbelievable, right? Is it more believable if we allow the worm billions of years to evolve? Will evolution produce a species more superior than humans? What's observable is that species produce after their own kind. Sure there's microevolution, e.g., various dog breeds, but no macroevolution, e.g., dogs evolving into cats or vice versa. And of all the millions of fossils found, there's not one credible fossil evidencing a transitional form (creature midstream in macroevolution). This is just the iceberg tip as to evolution's pitfalls and going deeper is beyond this article's scope.

The Bible is divinely inspired. There are over forty authors covering a time span of some 1600 years located in different parts of the world with different languages, and everything is consistent. Not a single challenge to its veracity has stood. (As truth ages, does it become false?) There are over 2,000 specific Bible prophecies which have already been fulfilled. These prophecies deal with almost every nation and many cities with which Israel came in contact. Many

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## Administrative Staff Commended

To the Editor:

Because I make it a point to write to The Advocate when I notice something wrong here at the NLC, I want to note a few things (or rather people) that are right.

When I first came here, I found my reception in the various administrative offices to be anything but warm. Now, I have noticed some exceptions. Beth Ramirez in Financial Aid is one of the nicest and most competent people here. She never seems to resent students or their stupid questions. She knows many of us by name, and off the top of her head can answer almost anything. Given that money is such a sensitive issue, she is a great asset to that office. She has been joined by Frederick Jasper who has many of these same qualities. He has been very helpful and patient, and I truly appreciate both of their efforts.

This year, the Records office has gotten a quality addition. Larrie Person makes it a pleasure and not a pain to go in there for information. He too knows many students by name, and

always greets people with a friendly smile and a willingness to be helpful in any crisis. Lisa Young has also been able to help me in fairly trying circumstances. I am thankful that they are there to guide me through the bureaucracy.

Finally, Gina Harris in the Dean's office is an example of how much difference one person can make in any community. She has helped the Law Association for Women, and myself personally, on more than one occasion, and I have certainly appreciated all her assistance.

The very real difference that these people make in the day-to-day lives of students cannot be underestimated. Every time I come into contact with each one of them, I remind myself that cheerfulness and courtesy under pressure add to the dignity of our common endeavor.

Linda A. Hesse  
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# On the Bible and the Constitution

To the Editor:

I write in reply to Adam Gordon's recent response to an earlier essay of mine. I took a stand opposing approval of homosexuality, particularly in the armed forces. The cornerstone of my belief is the Bible. My article appeared in your March 8th edition. Mr. Gordon's views appeared in the April 5th issue of *The Advocate*. I was pleased to read Mr. Gordon's comments, for indeed I had hoped to alter the course of debate over gays in the military away from armchair warrior's second guessing to a morality plane. See (Proverbs 18:17) (advocating "cross-examination.") I was surprised to see how many views Mr. Gordon and I actually had in common. Yes, in common. We both believe in using our powers of reason. See (Proverbs 9:10) ("The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding."); (James 1:5) (if you lack wisdom, ask God for it). We both agree that humankind is a fallen (sinful) race in need of Grace. See (Romans 3:23) ("... all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.") We both agree one must hold one's self accountable for one's thoughts and deeds. See (Hebrews 9:27) ("[Man] is destined to die once, and after that to face judgment.") We both believe in the supremacy of the Constitution and the democratic process insofar as generating laws to govern our nation. See (Romans 13:1) ("Everyone must submit himself to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established.") With so much in common, what's the beef? Why bother with this letter in reply?

Mr. Gordon masterfully dissected an argument I did not make, and would never make. Like Noah's neighbors, he completely missed the boat. I'll outline the errata and discuss them in greater detail below. First, he stated I felt "NO duty to think about the current debate on homosexuals in the military." Next he theorized that I thought that "[m]ankind should not reason." That's a contradiction in itself! Mr. Gordon implied I was unfamiliar with the U.S. Constitution -- a living document I've pledged my very life to defend -- and suggested I was frustrated with an inability to participate in the democratic process. Finally, Mr. Gordon promulgated theology which is novel at best. He characterized the creation as a "myth," suggested that "reason" and not rebellion drove his namesake from the Garden of Eden, and absurdly suggested that Mankind will, in and of itself, be able to "reattain ... a State of Grace."

As James Madison penned over 200 years ago in his Memorial and Remonstrance on the Religious Rights of Man, man has a DUTY to the creator. Yes, creator. See (Jude, verse 4) ("[G]odless men ... deny Jesus Christ [as] our only Sovereign and Lord.") Moreover, my essay was driven by DUTY to fellow man, the duty to warn. See (Proverbs 24:11-12) (rescue those staggering toward death); (II Thessalonians 3:15) (treat not as an enemy but warn as a brother). Such was the purpose of my essay. Such is my concept of DUTY.

God instructs us to use the gift of reason. See (Isaiah 1:18) ("Come, now, let us reason together," says the Lord.); (Luke 14:28-30) (only a fool would do otherwise); (Romans 12:2) ("... test and approve what God's will is ..."); (Acts 6:38-39) (if Godly, it will prevail; whereas if of human origin, it will fail). Indeed, the "greatest" commandment tasks us to "love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind." (Matthew 22:36) (emphasis added). Mr. Gordon is in the very best of company when he encourages us to reason. See (Proverbs 2:6) ("[T]he Lord gives wisdom, and from his mouth come knowledge and understanding."); (I Corinthians 12:8) (God's Spirit is the conduit of wisdom).

An argument that the Constitution's Framers intended to divorce politics and faith is disingenuous at best and borders on ludicrous. Check out the back of your currency -- In God We Trust. Witnesses, Justices, and Presidents, though prohibited from taking "religious" oaths by Article VI, swear on a Bible and in the latter case, generally request the Lord's help in leading the nation. Those who signed the Declaration of Independence recognized their "Creator" and elevated "Laws of Nature and of Nature's God" over the "Opinions of Mankind." Madison and Jefferson pushed for the first amendment's [anti-] "establishment clause" on behalf of minority Christian denominations. Again, the idea was never to deny God's sovereignty, but simply to prevent the government from mandating how the creation should worship the Creator. Even the most ardent skeptic will admit that's what prompted the Pilgrims to come to our shores. While I share Mr. Gordon's concerns that the government must never impose religion on its citizenry, my prayer is that the citizenry will respond to God's love then elect and appoint a responsive government. See (John 3:16-21) (choose the "Light" instead of "darkness."); (Titus 1:5-

9) (listing the Godly qualities of those suited to lead).

Mr. Gordon, apparently an evolutionist of sorts, summarily concluded that God's creation of the world is a myth. While I am not in a position to prove him wrong, you should know that science has not proven the Bible wrong. Indeed, no archeological evidence has contradicted the Bible, while much has corroborated it (e.g. the walls of Jericho tumbled outward, an unlikely event given the fact that explosives were not yet available as siege weapons). See (Joshua 6); see generally Josh McDowell, Evidence That Demands A Verdict (you can borrow my copy). Answering Mr. Gordon's question, man's ability to reason came from God. See above. True enough, Mr. Gordon surmised that the first couple (heterosexual, as God intended; see (Genesis 2:24) (man and woman to be partners, to become one flesh)) chose to do what they thought best. See generally (Genesis 3). It was just this choice of self-gratification which caused mankind to forfeit paradise. Things went south. Mr. Gordon advocates continuing and accelerating the trend by pursuing a course of glorifying self-gratification in defiance of the Creator. He prefers new law to old. See (Exodus 20) (the 10 commandments). Mr. Gordon's stance is biblical; however, the reference is chilling:

For the time will come when men will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths.

(II Timothy 4:3-4). Most frighteningly, Mr. Gordon unabashedly states that mankind is self-sufficiently capable of "reattaining" both "Perfection" and a "State of Grace." If such were the case, we would not be in the year 1993 anno domini! See generally the book of Romans chapters 6-8 (Christ died for us that we might live) and (Ephesians 2:6-9) (saved by grace, a gift of God, NOT by works).

Finally, Mr. Gordon and I agree one must be responsible for one's actions. We agree individuals must strive to do the right thing. Where we part ways is in choosing standards. He feels there are many. I believe there is one. See (I Corinthians 11:31-32) (if we judge ourselves, then we are not judged -- that is until its tragically too late to change our fate); (John 6:38) (The Messiah came not to do his "own thing" but the will of God).

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of the events took place hundreds or even thousands of years after the prophecies were made. The prophecies aren't vague--they're very specific. They weren't lucky guesses because there are over 2,000 of them which have infallibly come to pass. And they weren't things which were likely to occur. Compare that to human predictions. For 1992, top psychics predicted that Bush would get reelected, the U.S. would enjoy its biggest economic boom, a Brazilian rain forest plant would be found to cure baldness, Gorbachev would become a U.S. citizen, a massive hurricane would topple Fidel Castro, and AIDS would wipe out entire professional sports teams. There are also numerous extraneous sources pointing to the Bible's historical correctness, e.g., numerous writings/recordings found throughout the world tell of a massive worldwide flood.

**Establishment Clause.** The Supreme Court's rulings on this clause

are erroneous. In 1947, in *Everson v. Board of Education*, the Court allegedly looked to the framers' intent, specifically Jefferson's and Madison's, and carefully selected documents to support its reasoning. Justice Black summed: "In the words of Jefferson, the clause against establishment was intended to erect a 'wall of separation between Church and State.'" Let's look at history. Jefferson wasn't even present during Congressional debates of the First Amendment. The very next day after the First Congress proposed the amendment, it proposed that a presidential proclamation of "Thanksgiving and Prayer" be issued. Pres. Washington's first "National Thanksgiving Proclamation" reads: "Whereas it is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God...." Other early presidents, including Madison, followed suit. Madison played an active role in creating the Chaplain system in the First Congress. In 1803, Pres. Jefferson

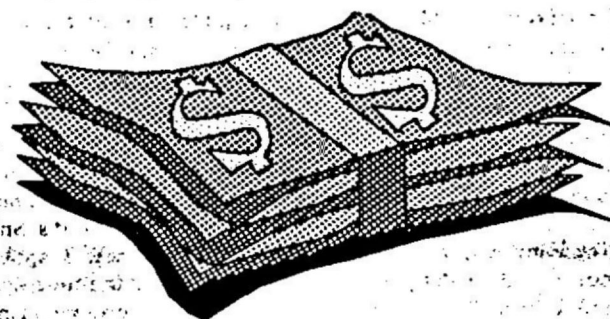
asked the Senate to ratify the Kaskian Indians treaty containing provisions for using federal money to support a Catholic priest to minister to the tribe and the building of a church. After declaring independence from Britain, Jefferson served on a committee to recommend revisions to Virginia's laws. Among the committee's 126 proposed bills, those agreeing with the Court point to Bill No. 82, "A Bill for Establishing Religious Freedom," but choose to ignore Bill No. 84, "A Bill for Punishing Disturbers of Religious Worship and Sabbath Breakers" and Bill No. 85 dealing with Thanksgiving Day proclamations. There's other evidence. My point is that the Court read the Establishment Clause broadly to mean total separation of Church/religion and State without considering its carefully selected documents in light of more numerous documentation supporting a very narrow interpretation. History shows that the framers didn't intend

complete separation of religion and government.

**Loving Response to Homosexuality.** Tolerating homosexuality is like turning your back to someone in need. Out of love, we need to help those caught up in the homosexual lifestyle to overcome and get themselves free. Help for everyone comes from God's truth in the Bible. Not to oversimplify, but ponder this: The number one source for getting the best performance out of something, like a car, is from the manufacturer. Similarly, to have a truly abundant and fulfilling life, the best source is from our Maker, God, who reveals the answer in His words contained in the Scriptures. Homosexuality is like shaking your fist at God in rebellion. If you're caught up in the homosexual lifestyle, you need to change to get right with God. I can help you take the first step.

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# Moot Court Board Year In Review

by Curtis A. Boykin  
President, Moot Court Board

When I accepted the offer of membership to join the Moot Court Board in the spring of 1991, one of the current members at that time convinced me to purchase a lime-green Moot Court Board t-shirt with the phrase "MOOT TO LIVE... LIVE TO MOOT" emblazoned on the back of the shirt in white letters. In retrospect, I think that was not a smart purchase. I never wore that shirt, except in the gym as a sweatshirt. Come to think of it, I do not recall ever seeing another board member wear that infamous garb. (Maybe I was the only one duped)?

Ironically, the spirit of the phrase was inescapable. Moot Court Board had become to me and the other members of the Executive Committee in 1992-93 a preoccupation and an odyssey of sorts.

The primary mission of the Moot Court Board this academic year was to serve as many students as possible in the NLC by administering various competitions, coaching teams and overall, promoting excellence in oral and written appellate advocacy. Secondly, the board institutionalized some of its traditional activities so that next year's board would be free from reinventing the wheel.

The results, I am pleased to say, were overwhelmingly successful. This was one of the most successful and productive years in the history of the NLC Moot Court Board, and I thank everyone for their contribution, hours of hard work, never saying "no" to endless requests for coaching, timekeeping, brief delivery, etc., etc., etc.

At the risk of trumpeting the Moot Court Board's accomplishments too loudly, some of the year's highlights

and notable achievements are detailed below.

The Van Vleck competition, the fall intrascholastic constitutional law competition, was a tremendous success. Ninety-six competitors participated in this year's competition. Ninety-six! As far as I am aware, this is the highest number of competitors ever to participate. The Van Vleck chairperson, Dina Gold, and her committee members did a fantastic job in administering the competition.

Arden Levy and Linda Mirsky, co-chairs of the Jessup International Law competition, also deserve special kudos. They ran a competition of 68 competitors and produced a championship team. The George Washington Jessup team won this year's regional competition, and gave an exceptional performance in the international final round.

In the Giles Rich Intellectual Property competition, chaired by Heidi Lynn, 34 brave competitors submitted briefs during the first week of class at the beginning of the spring semester. At the regional competition, GW's winning team earned a spot in the national finals. At the time this article was written, they were preparing for the national competition to be held in Washington, D.C.

This year was the first year the NLC hosted the International Air and Space Law competition. The George Washington team won first place and will be arguing in Austria next fall! Mary Schoelen should be commended for her work in coaching and helping to prepare the GW team for their victory.

Another testament to this year's success was the second National Security Law competition. Although GW does not enter a team in the competition, the NLC hosts the competition for other exceptional performance in the

law schools from around the country. Mike Rie and Matt Breitman, the competition's co-chairs made a formidable team as they executed an overwhelmingly successful event. Acting Attorney General of the United States Stuart Gerson, who served as the chief judge in the televised final round, remarked on the professionalism of the competition.

Simply put, this was a banner year. It was my pleasure to serve with the quality of people who made this year's accomplishments possible. People like: Ed Delk, who secured literally scores of practitioners in the Washington metropolitan area to serve as judges, Lily Shang, who employed exceptional services, making every board function a tasteful event, David Kahn, who produced the best Directory of Interscholastic Competitions and sold more copies than any person who previously held the position, Bob Henoch, the platoon leader, who always made sure that board competitions were well-staffed and functioning, Katie Harrington-McBride, the great communicator, Jessup champ and future board president, she was always on top of the records and status of board activities... it's no surprise that she is the board's next president; and Larry Bard, the board's "treasured" C.P.A.

Finally, I want to especially acknowledge the unremitting work of Sam Gandhi and the First Year Competition Committee who are toiling over the first year competition, administering somewhere in the neighborhood of 360 eager first year competitors.

I have said it once, and I will say it again, thanks to each and every board member for a great year of service! I am proud of our accomplishments.

I have no plans of resurrecting the Moot Court Board t-shirt, but I will never forget a year of "Living to Moot." P.S. -- Congratulations and good luck to next year's executive committee! well-staffed and functioning, Katie

## MOOT COURT UPDATES

### Giles Rich Team Advances to Nationals

The NLC Giles Rich team of Alisha Amburgey and Deborah Lassman placed second at the Northeast Regional Competition held in Boston last month. They advanced to the Giles Rich National Moot Court Competition which was held here in Washington, D.C., on April 14.

### Space Law Team Advances to Internationals

The NLC Space Law Moot Court Team of Guy Christiansen, Eric Edmondson and Charles Hildebrandt won the United States Regionals of the moot court competition sponsored by the International Institute of Space Law. The competition was held here at GW on March 27. They will advance to the International Finals next October in Graz, Austria to compete against the European Champion.

### Moot Court Board Appoints the 1993-94 Executive Committee

The Moot Court Board is proud to announce the following members will serve on the Executive Committee for the 1993-1994 school year.

Katie Harrington-McBride, President  
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Interscholastic  
Anthony Capozzolo, Vice President  
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## 1993 Commencement Activity Plans

The following activities have been planned by the Commencement Committee for your enjoyment. All events are free unless a fee is specified. 1993 graduates, their families, friends, and faculty are invited to attend.

**Tuesday, April 27:** End of Classes Dessert and Coffee Reception at 7:30 pm in the Student Lounge. This is an opportunity to unwind and congratulate

each other on surviving three or four years (or more!).

**Monday, May 24:** Boat Cruise on the Spirit of Potomac. Tickets are \$31.50 per person and are being sold by Commencement Committee members. Ticket price includes an open bar, snacks and a DJ. There will be a table set up on the first floor selling tickets in April.

**Saturday, May 29:** Reception at the Rayburn House Office Building on Capitol Hill from 4-7 pm in the Main Foyer. There will be an open bar and hors d'oeuvres. Don't miss this!

**Sunday, May 30:** Reception immediately following graduation at the Marvin Center on the First and Third Floors in the Ballroom Terrace and the cafeteria from 3:30-6:00 pm.

### International Finals next October in

Enjoy the fun and relax with your family, friends, faculty, and classmates. You deserve it!

The 1993 Commencement Committee  
John McBride  
Elizabeth Calderon  
Diane Kmak

## From the Bar

This past week the SBA held a town meeting on Grade Reform. Those students who attended were given information on why the grade change was instituted, the new conversion table, and the reasons behind the delay in initiating the change. A special thanks to Dean Schwartz and Sue Karbarz for helping to organize the event.

On April 10, the SBA sponsored its first softball tournament with over 9 teams and 100 people signed up, it looked to be one of the bigger events of the year. Unfortunately it was rained out. Stay tuned, however, because it will be rescheduled first thing in the Fall. Bev Hayden and Randi Kassover did an excellent job in organizing the event; hopefully next Fall the weather will be more cooperative.

The SBA surveys are just about finished, and the results will not surprise most people. Of the approximately 350

responses, some areas of concern were the NLC's commitment to public interest (this concern seems justified in light of the recent closing of the Immigration Clinic), and available lounge space (it seems no one can find a place to eat).

The SBA has established a Peer Counseling service. Coordinated by Mike Fried, there have been over 50 applicants interested in serving as a peer counselor.

We are currently selecting students to serve on the student/faculty committees, and there has been a great response from students. The more people who get involved, the more chance we will have to effect positive change at the school.

The SBA has also sponsored two events: the bone marrow blood drive for a GW alum with leukemia and the Haitian refugee Hunger Strike.

Next year, the SBA will start a voluntary Pro-Bono program in which student sign a pledge as to the number of hours they will donate to community service; those who complete the requirement will receive some sort of recognition at graduation.

Looking back on this past semester, we are happy to report that this has been an active semester for the SBA. Hopefully, many of you have noticed the more visible profile which the SBA has been keeping. If you have any comments, remember we're always willing to listen.

Stay tuned for the End of the Year PARTY!!!  
Until next time,

Sean Johnson  
SBA President  
Debbie Kleben  
SBA Vice President

*The Advocate* would like to thank graduating Editors

Linda Blauhut

and

Ed Johnson

and graduating staff members

Rick Hernandez

and

Brad Gordon

Thanks and Good Luck

## Thoughts on Graduation

by Joe Fagan (3L and loving it!)

With graduation looming only six weeks away, it is easy to blow off reading for the three-credit pass/fail course which I never attend anyway, and to otherwise take stock in how I have spent my last three years. As a third year student who has never bothered to write

anything for the Advocate, I feel compelled to do so now. After having spent a king's ransom for the privilege of wandering the halls at the National Law Center since August of 1990, I naturally feel entitled to criticize and make rather irreverent comments about the place which will soon be my graduate school alma mater. These observations have not come about overnight; they have resulted from several years of interaction with the law school itself and the University at large.

In the thousand and one conversations which I've had with other law students, I've been amazed at how remarkably similar our individual reactions to the law school experience has been. For the most part, and this includes those working for fancy firms, they have been decidedly negative. This result can be explained in either one of two ways: either every law student at our school is a garden variety pessimist, or there are legitimate reasons why we

have all been disenchanted during our tenure at the NLC. In my view, the

latter reason more closely approximates the truth. To be sure, law school hasn't been sobering for everyone; many have enjoyed the intellectual challenge, some have met their future spouses, and others have gotten the

plum job that they always wanted. Yet, as a high-stress exercise, it has proven remarkably successful in engendering both an endless supply of potential "pet peeves" and the ready willingness on the part of students to make critical comments thereof. As four hundred of my fellow third years prepare to be churned out with J.D. degrees next month, I am sure that there are a lot of things about the National Law Center which they would rather forget. With this in mind, here is a list of some of these things -- some funny, some not so funny -- which have probably pissed off students at one time or another, and will surely not be missed. If I offend anyone by these comments...that's just too damn bad.

### Things Which Will Not Be Missed

1. Seeing undergrads alight from cars which have a higher resale value than the house you grew up in;

2. Any graduate of Emory;  
3. A CDO which doesn't acknowledge the bottom 90% of the class;

4. Older night students who read every line of every case and -- in their own middle-aged way -- let the rest of the class know about it;

5. The elevator by the blackboard (in the time it takes to ride from the basement to the fourth floor, you can walk over to Au Bon Pain, buy a coffee and muffin, give your spare change to the homeless guy in the causeway, smile at a friend walking to school from the Metro, check your folder, and then leisurely take the stairs to fourth-floor Tax);

6. Brad Gordon's pseudo-intellectual commentaries in the Advocate (Brad, as if we ever cared);

7. The rock star-groupie thing which surrounds Professor Jonathan Turley;  
8. The wonderful feeling of seeing your entire life's achievements reduced to a two-digit number posted in the school lobby;

9. Going to Au Bon Pain before a night class and finding they're out of muffins and bagels...again;

10. The law school loan process, its message closely akin to that of a drug dealer in a schoolyard -- enjoy the easy narcotic effect now, suffer the harsh consequences later;

11. Any graduate of Michigan;

12. Tuition increases, which instead of going back to the law school, are used to finance aesthetically tacky busts of George Washington;

13. President Tractenberg (need I say more);

14. The two dozen prehistoric IBM computers available for use for a student population of 1500;

15. Professors canceling classes at the last minute;

16. The sordid and sundry varieties of food which are always being heated up in the third floor microwave;

17. Waiting in line at the Student Accounts Office in Rice Hall (popularly believed to be the missing Circle of Hell from Dante's Inferno);

18. The "new" university computer system which shuts down everytime a student wants a printout of his billing statement, and which still(!) has not sent out 1st semester grade reports;

19. A weightroom which has less equipment than my grammar school;

20. Bruce Aaronson;

21. Top drawer law firms which won't even hire you for their mailroom;

22. Intellectual property geeks (I thought slide rulers went out in the 50's);

23. First years who insist on sucking up to their professors long enough to disrupt the beginning of the next class which follows in the same room;



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24. Having to explain to people that yes, I attend law school in the nation's capital, but no, it's not Georgetown;

25. Those who steal other people's frozen meals from the 3rd floor fridge (By the way, to the person who stole the Salisbury steak meal last week...that wasn't Salisbury steak);

26. Job binders where fifty percent of the postings are for the same intellectual property geeks listed in #22;

27. Students who insist on dawdling in the third floor hallway by the stairs while classes are changing (if this was New York, they'd be stabbed);

28. Law professors who tell you that it's not that bad and we'll all get jobs -- conveniently forgetting that they were on the law review at schools far more prestigious than GW;

29. A law school honor code which is not enforced;

30. Lobby furniture which is more chintzy-looking than the stuff I used in my fifth-grade tree house;

31. Professors who glare at you for using the upstairs copying machines (look pal, who's paying your salary anyway);

32. A financial aid office which insists on seeing your parents' tax returns, even though the last check they wrote for you dated from the Reagan Administration;

33. The riff-raff that lingers around the Foggy Bottom Metro (just ask Roger Simon);

34. First year moot court students being judged by students who were in the same position only a year earlier;

35. Interviewers who can't even fake the fact that they'd rather be doing anything, just anything, instead of listening to you tell them why you went to law school;

36. The despicable tendency of Washington Law Book Company to buy back your used textbook for \$5, and later sell it to an unsuspecting soul for \$35;

37. Doing poorly in classes in which you've worked your ass off, and doing well in those in which you barely showed up;

38. The feeding frenzy mentality which overcomes those signing up for interviews during the on-campus recruiting season (would they move as

quickly to help a dying man?);

39. The universal transformation from being a bubbly, energetic college academic all-star during orientation to that of being a mean-spirited, resentful law school also-ran as a third year;

40. Seeing GW professors mistakenly referred to in the media as being professors at Georgetown;

41. Law review/law journal types who somehow -- you just know -- regard themselves as intellectually superior to the rest of the student body;

42. Students attending law school on Daddy's dime, who are blissfully unaware how truly fortunate they really are;

43. A financial aid office which won't even give serious consideration to a student's individual circumstances even if you paid them...wait, we are paying them;

44. Plumbing which -- due to the fact that at any one time, fully one half of all the men's toilets are either not working or are spewing out gallons of water -- makes fast food rest rooms seem not all that bad;

45. Buying food at the Marvin Center -- even inflation in Boris Yeltsin's Russia couldn't come close to these prices;

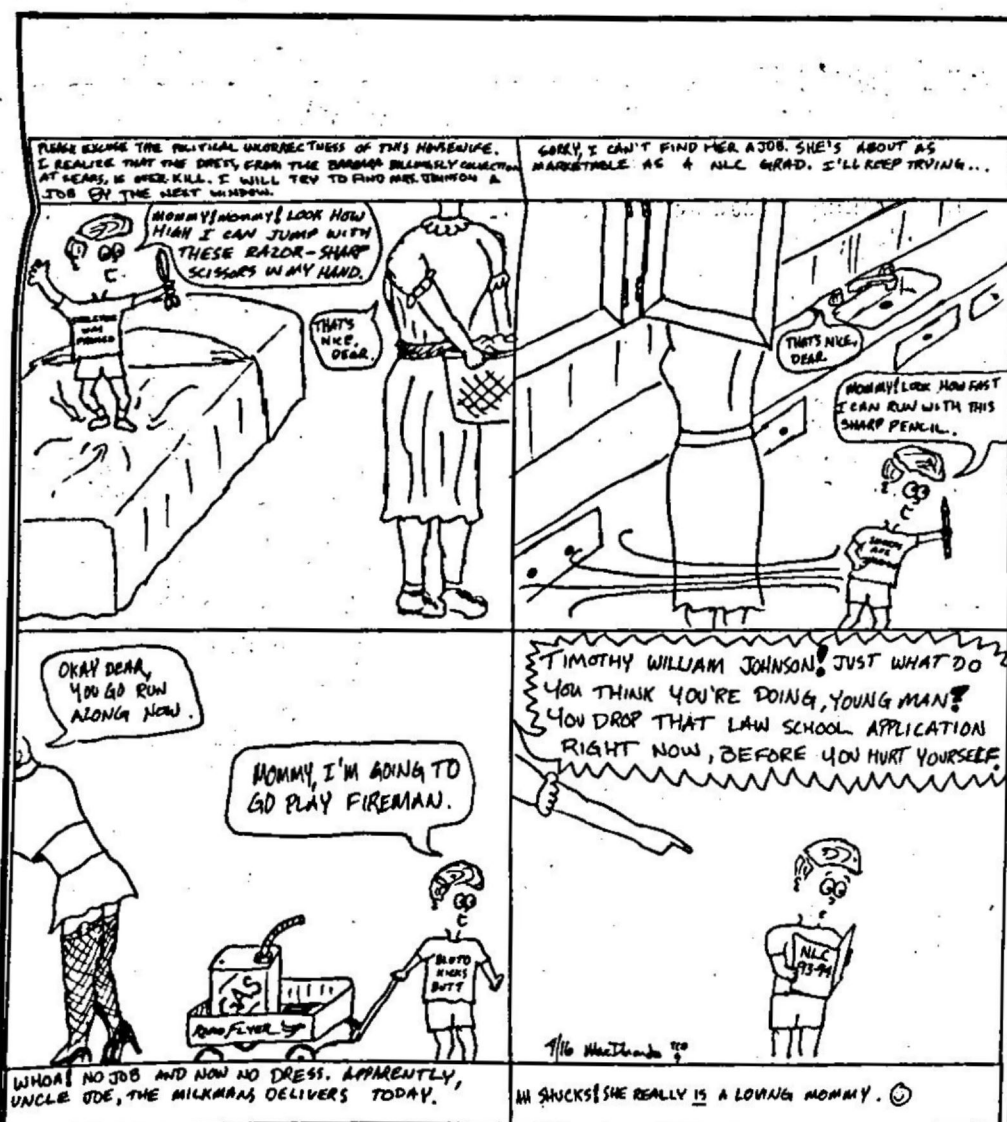
46. The general disparity in teaching ability and legal scholarship between those professors tenured say, before 1980, and those tenured after;

47. Classroom kiss-asses (what do these people and rugs have in common? They both should be beaten once a week);

48. Professors who are unprepared (if they don't prepare their lectures, why should we prepare our assignments);

49. Comments like "Well, I was wait-listed at Georgetown and NYU, and rejected by Columbia and UPenn, but I came to GW because I was interested in environmental law" (and monkeys might fly out my butt);

50. Geeks who bring laptop computers into both the library and the classrooms (gee, guess who didn't date much in college?).



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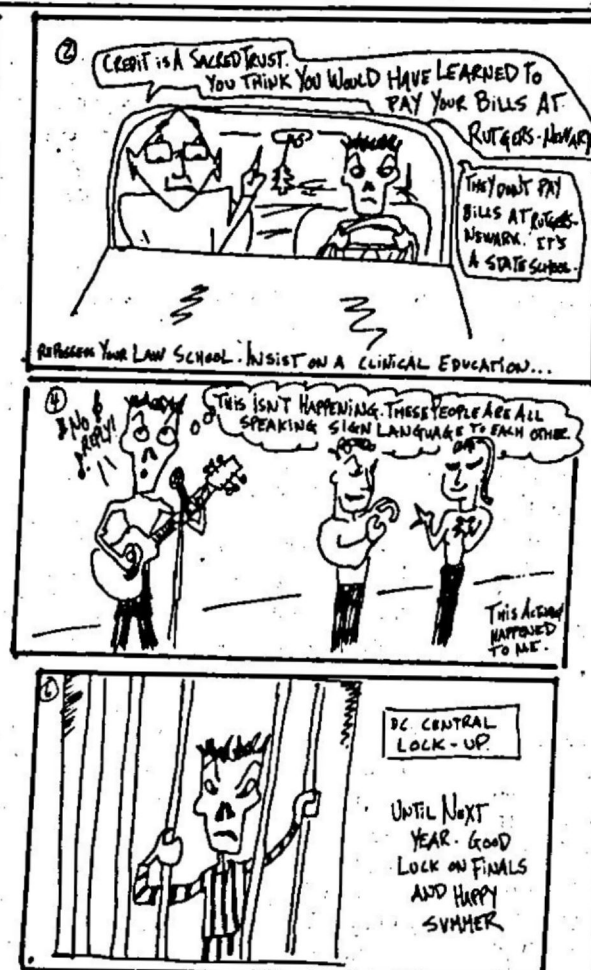
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## RFK Revisited: 22 Years and Counting

### Sorry Effort at Exhibition Ball Couldn't Dim Nats Fans' Hopes

by Ed Johnson

On Saturday, April 3, a small band of hardy souls set out from the NLC to RFK Stadium for this year's edition of the CellularOne Baseball Classic. Those few were members of the least-known, most intense law school organization - the NLC chapter of the Washington Senators Fan Club. In this, the year of National League expansion, the trip would be made doubly hard by the knowledge that one of those new teams could have called RFK home.

The Fan Club got there about two hours before first pitch to tailgate and reminisce about the game. The stiff breeze and 50-degree temperatures kept many in their cars, but one hardy club member got out to play catch with a young boy whose family had parked across the aisle. The boy's throw was wild; his weak attempt to catch resulted in the club member's throw nailing the trunk panel of the family's Nissan with a sickening thud. Fortunately, the panel popped back into place. While it is politically incorrect and probably inaccurate these days to say someone "throws like a girl," it is a sad commentary on today's parents and children that such basic motor skills as

those which go into playing catch are going undeveloped.

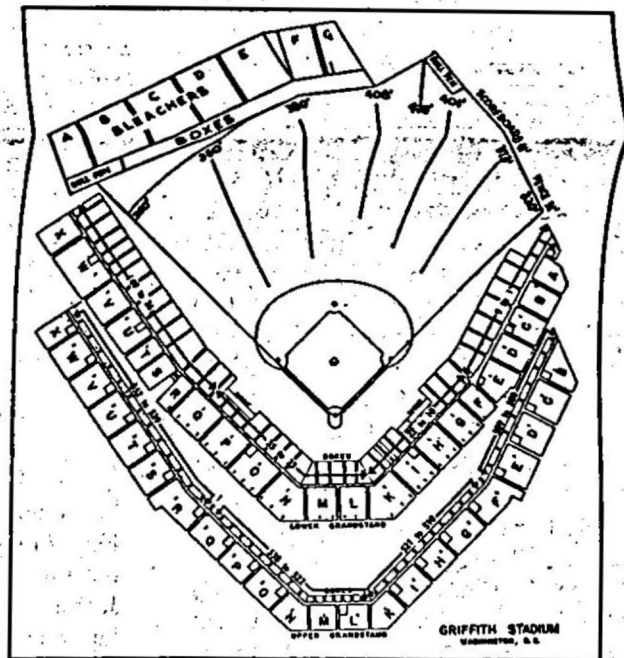
## Sports

On the inside, RFK looked superficially like a major league stadium. Not having to impress the Expansion Committee, the Stadium Authority didn't attend to the little things that make a ballpark great. The 265-foot Mickey Mouse left field porch stayed in place, adorned with an ad for World Cup soccer tickets. That soccer would be played here before regular season baseball rubbed more salt in Nats fans' wounds. The turf was quickly cobbled together in baseball configuration; combined with the heavy rains over the previous several days, it made for treacherous footing. Orioles manager Johnny Oates intimated that he didn't want his club to play there anymore. No big loss. The PA system was in good shape, though, and the operator had the good taste to play R.E.M. album sides - even cuts that don't get airplay - during breaks in the action.

The Senators Fan Club set up in section 307, behind first base. Immediately they hung up banners on

the railing reading "Senators Forever, Orioles Never." The response was overwhelmingly favorable, especially from the over-30 crowd; what negative comments there were came as a result of the anti-O's stance taken. Typical were the view of two vendors. One, a wizened, toothless old man who claimed to have hawked at Griffith Stadium, was adamant in his support and said he prayed that a team would return. The other, one Anton Hooper, surveyed the posters and concluded he hated them. A closer look at young Anton's vendor's badge revealed his date of birth as sometime in 1980. Clearly he was too young to remember major league baseball in the District and could not appreciate the Fan Club's message: that residents of the District and Northern Virginia aren't necessarily O's fans by default.

The vendors as a group reflected the half-assed approach taken by the Classic organizers. Either too young, too old or too incoherent, they seemed to have been picked up off the streets in a protective sweep. The food



they shilled was horrifyingly bad. Chewy dogs, the flavor boiled out of them, were encased in soggy buns and wrapped so tightly in aluminum foil they looked like pickles. The jumbo buckets of french fries, which looked like a bargain, were nauseating - undercooked and doused with rancid-tasting ketchup. The only saving grace was the "Malibu Fan Warmer," a cup of hot chocolate spiked with an airline bottle of flavored rum. At \$3.50 a pop, the Fan Club members became very warm fans.

The outcome of the game -



# Baseball Prognostications for 1993

Year	Team	Games	BA	SA	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	HR%	R	RBI	BB	SO	SB	Pinch Hit AB H	PO	A	E	DP	TC/G	FA	G by Pos
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I had hoped to include my predictions for the 1993 baseball season in the last Advocate, but I had to make room for the umpteenth commentary on gays in the military. (Like you needed to read another one. Stop beating a dead horse, for crying out loud!) As I've disclaimed before, any transactions or injuries that occur between after deadline could kill these picks, so don't bet your student loans on them.

## American League East

**Baltimore - It pains me so to make this pick, but I must. Mike Mussina is a serious Cy Young candidate, even without Tom Boswell's laudatory article in the April 4 Washington Post Magazine. Fernandomania II is on its way to a ballpark near you, and Big Ben McDonald and Rick Sutcliffe should hold together for at least this year. The O's are probably the best fielding team in the AL, and the addition of Harold Baines will allow Cal Junior to see better pitches. Caveat: any injuries to the pitching staff and it's the Jays' crown to lose.**

**Toronto** - Once again, the Blue Jays may be the best in the East on paper, but they are susceptible. The loss of pitchers Cone, Stieb, and Key is not offset by the gain of Dave Stewart. As old as Dave Winfield is, his presence seemed to catalyze the club and his loss will be felt. Nonetheless, enough of a core remains to allow Toronto to step right in should the Orioles falter.

**Cleveland** - I thought about dropping them to fourth or fifth after the Steve Olin - Tim Crews tragedy. Still, I can't help but think this young club will overcome their loss and contend. Charles Nagy is another Cy Young contender who may get overworked. With a lineup featuring Albert Belle, Kenny Lofton, Carlos Baerga, Paul Sorrento, the Tribe will score plenty. My thinking is that management will buck its spendthrift trend to buy a closer to replace Olin, if not this year, then next. **New York** - The Yanks are definitely going to be a team to watch - and I don't mean because of Steinbrenner. The addition of Jim Abbott and Jimmy Key beefs up the rotation. Newcomer Paul O'Neill should boost a strong outfield with Danny Tartabull and Bernie Williams. The middle infield is mediocre, though, and high expectations are being pinned on Wade Boggs. If George can keep his fingers out of the pic, things might

brighten up in the Bronx before long.

**Milwaukee** - Last season's surprise pennant contender will experience a sharp drop this year. Losing P Chris Bosio and elder statesman Paul Molitor (who can still play) will hurt; nor can Robin Yount be expected to contribute much anymore. The rotation of Wegman, Navarro, Eldred and Bones should keep the Brewers in most games. The bullpen is decent, too. A lot could depend on how much Tom Brunansky and Darryl Hamilton will produce.

**Boston - Who picked them to win the East last year in a 1-game playoff? Oops, that was me. I will never, ever pick the Red Sox to win anything again, at least not for the next decade. Mo Vaughn's been monstrous in exhibition, Andre Dawson and Ivan Calderon will add wallop, but it won't overcome the thin pitching once you get past Clemens and Viola. Injuries shouldn't plague them as much as last year, but the target has moved in the East.**

**Detroit** - The Tigers will be bad. Very bad. No changes in the horrid pitching except to add Mike Moore, the ex-Athletic who has a poor track record pitching in Tiger Stadium, and the mediocre Tom Bolton and Bill Krueger. Tell me, why couldn't they trade one of those big boppers for some mound help? New owner Mike Ilitch has dough to spare. (Ooh, bad pun. Sorry.) At least he has the class to bring Ernie Harwell back to the booth for one more season.

## American League West

**Chicago - The White Sox' time has come. No more excuses. The Big Hurt, Frank Thomas, and company are out for blood. I'm happy to see Bo Jackson on the mend, but I'm not sure how much he will help. Ozzie Guillen, on the other hand, will rebound and be a leader. Hell, even Ellis Burks might do something here. Chicago must have good years from Wilson Alvarez and Alex Fernandez to pull it off; they can't keep relying on Jack McDowell to carry the team.**

**Minnesota** - This is a tough call. Starting and relief pitching (it seems like that's what I always come back to) isn't the strongest. With Kirby Puckett, Brian Harper, Dave Winfield, Pedro Muñoz and Shane Mack crushing the ball, it won't matter much. They'll bang enough balls into and over the Metrodome's Hefty-Bag walls to keep the Twins in the hunt.

**Oakland** - The Athletics did it with mirrors last year. Canseco, Moore, and Stewart are gone; Welch and Hendu are winding down. The one-time dynasty is eroding. McGwire, Sierra and Bordick will keep hope alive with their bats. Though Rickey Henderson has been playing like a man with something to prove, he may be too disruptive in the clubhouse.

**Seattle -** The Mariners will rebound from a disappointing 64-98 in '92 in a big way. Sure, they have pitching woes, but adding Bosio and ex-"Nasty Boy" Norm Charlton will help considerably. The left side of the infield, Edgar Martinez and Omar Vizquel, could be the AL's best, but Martinez is out for the first six weeks. Griffey the younger has to shake his occasional blues. Biggest downer: Dave Valle is the worst catcher in the AL. Biggest plus: in the dugout. Sweet Lou will make the M's earn their pay.

**Texas - Sad.** They blew their best shot last year. Not keeping interim manager Toby Harrah was a mistake; Kevin Kennedy is raw meat. Kevin Brown is the star of a rotation including over-the-hillers Charlie Liebrandt, Craig Lefferts and Nolan Ryan. Calm down, I respect the Express as much as everyone else; I just don't think a team can hang its hopes on his arm anymore. The Rangers still could contend if some guys play over their heads, but they'll probably rebuild for their new ballpark.

**Kansas City - Sure they'll improve, but not as much as the media boys think. Cone and Appier will go a long way, but the Royals need help in the 3-4-5 starter spots. Closer Jeff Montgomery might get the Roloids award this season. There's too much being expected from Wally Joyner, Kevin McReynolds, and Felix Jose; I don't know that they'll deliver. Brian McRae certainly will. Here's hoping George Brett will know when to go out with dignity.**

**California** - Seriously rebuilding. Everyone and their mother hyped over rookies Tim Salmon and J.T. Snow. Calm down, wait 'til 1995. The Halos are a good AAA team now, but are too green at the major league level.

### National League East

**Montreal - Another one I was wrong on last year, but in the opposite direction from Boston. Experts don't think the Expos have the veteran**

leadership to win a division. Who needs veterans when you've got this talented young bunch? The infield is young and will feature NL Rookie-of-the-Year-to-be Wil Cordero at short. Moises Alou, Marquis Grissom and Larry Walker are the division's, and possibly the league's, best outfield. Besides, the East is weak.

**St. Louis** - An interesting but annoying team. The Cardinals will contend on traditional Cardinal strengths: speed and defense. They'll lose on traditional Cardinal weaknesses: banjo hitting and mediocre pitching. Expecting 1B Gregg Jeffries to make a difference is a stretch. Frankly, I think USA Today Baseball Weekly's editor Paul White has a love thing going for backup C Hector Villanueva, but a great season in winter ball makes Villanueva a good addition to the club.

**Philadelphia** - Why so high for the Phillies? Why not? Dave Hollins is a budding superstar, and Lenny Dykstra can't have the kind of injury-plagued years he has recently. Doughboy John Kruk will hit for average, as long as his knees don't blow. Starting pitching has improved, but Phils fans has better hope they've got a big lead late. The "Wild Thing," Mitch Williams, is getting wilder and there's no one to help.

**New York - Turn over any rock and you'll find a Mets fan who'll complain about this pick. Tough. Doc Gooden now plays #2 man to Bret Saberhagen; after them, there ain't much. El Sid? Frank Tanana? Please. They're still a contender (so are everyone except the Marlins) if Bobby Bonilla, HoJo, and Eddie Murray contribute as expected. Addition of Joe Orsulak a good move; O's may regret losing him.**

**Chicago-Losing Mike Maddux won't be too hard on the Cubs, what with Jose Guzman and Greg Hibbard coming aboard. They'll help out Mike Morgan. Losing the Hawk kills their outfield; Willie Wilson and Candy Maldonado are so-so, Sammy Sosa a failure. Mark Grace hits for average, not power, but has a great glove. Things could still come together, and other teams come apart, to give the Cubs a shot.**

**Pittsburgh** - So close and yet so far. It'll be a good 5 years before the Bucs are back in the thick of a race. I so wanted to see Andy Van Slyke get a Series ring here. The Pirates have lost virtually all of their power and much of their pitching. On the bright side, new



## Baseball Cont'd from 14

2B Carlos Garcia has pop which might make Jose Lind's fielding less missed. I feel for Al Martin, who has to fill Barry Bonds' shoes in left.

**Florida** - Hurricane Andrew; Carl Barger drops dead; what more reasons do you need to see that major league baseball does not belong in South Florida? The retirees and transplants will pay to see a horrendous club with no starting pitching, no speed and poor defense - except at catcher. There Benito Santiago will fill the bill. A big gamble made on ex-Japanese league star 1B Orestes Destrade; the Marlins hope he'll pull a Cecil Fielder over here. Despite massive merchandise sales, the worst uniforms since the '84 Padres. Expect 20 or more rainouts. I wish this franchise ill.

## National League West

**Atlanta** - A no-brainer. Who would be foolish enough to bet against the best starting rotation in the last 20 years? This is a team on a mission. Seeking to avoid the choke tag placed on the Buffalo Bills, the Braves will systematically demolish their opponents on their way to the pennant. At least they will if they don't have to rely heavily on their bullpen - the only really weak link. A little better output from OFs Ron Gant and Deion Sanders would help, too. Beyond that, all the pieces are in place.

**Cincinnati** - The clear winner except that the Braves are in their division. Watch them win 90 and still finish 13 back. Jose Rijo must stay healthy and get help from Belcher and Smiley. If Kevin Mitchell rebounds the way the Padres' Gary Sheffield did last year, he'll compliment Reggie Sanders and Barry Larkin well. Randy Milligan is a sleeper at first.

**Houston** - The clear winner except that the Braves and Reds are in their division. The addition of Doug Drabek and Greg Swindell will solidify a rotation of comers. Doug Jones needs to have another season in relief like '92. A solid infield, and decent catching make the Astros a team to watch in the future.

**San Francisco** - A new-look club in the same old ballpark. 3-4-5 hitters Bonds, Will Clark, and Matt Williams could be a 100-homer trio. The Giants still have the best defense in the NL, which will only get better as SS Royce Clayton matures. Pitching is woeful - as many injuries last year as we have elections in this school - and the franchise in general is unstable. New ownership and patient managing from Dusty Baker may turn things around by the Bay in a couple of years.

**San Diego** - A madhouse since cheap management held a fire sale. So much clubhouse dissent. Still there's enough talent to finish fifth. Sheffield and McGriff the Crime Dog will crush the ball; Tony Gwynn will get his .300.

Starting pitching is questionable, and defense up the middle - including behind the plate - is weak.

**Los Angeles** - Why do folks think the Dodgers will rebound so far? Lasorda fat again? This team is still the worst in the NL save for the expansion clubs. Adding Tim Wallach and Jody Reed will bolster the defense, but it'll still be a sieve. Eric Davis and Darryl Strawberry will have to play at least 100 games each if the Dodgers are to be respectable.

**Colorado** - Easily the better of the two new entries. Statistics will be skewed as result of play in Denver. The Rockies, though, are smartly tailored to their surroundings. They have enough power to loft extra-base hits at home, decent speed in Alex Cole, Eric Young and Gerald Clark. Ground-ball pitchers will suffer away from home. This team will have a worse record than the Marlins because they're in the West. Although ownership money is there and fan support is high, I can't help but think this team should be the new Washington Senators.

**World Series prediction?** Braves - Orioles. Braves in 5. See y'all on Peachtree, in October. It'll be a party. Meet me at the Beer Mug. First round's on me.

## Saltzburg cont'd from 3

presented the committee with the general legal issues Congress will confront as the hearings progress; David Borrelli, expert on military personnel policy for the Congressional Research Service, who discussed current scientific knowledge regarding homosexuality and relevant military regulations pertaining to the subject; and Charles Dale, legislative attorney for the Congressional Research Service, who spoke on sexual orientation law in the civilian context.

Reaction to the first day of testimony was mixed, with advocates on both sides claiming victory but a majority of observers called it a draw.

President Clinton has pledged to lift the ban by executive order by July 15 regardless of the Committee's findings. Legislation to codify the ban will likely be introduced in Congress soon thereafter. Sen. Nunn has stated that he plans to hold hearings until June. Persons interested in attending may call the Senate Armed Services Committee for information. Schedules are also published daily in the first section of the Washington Post. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis and is extremely limited.



## ADVOCATE SPORTS TRIVIA

## LAST WEEK'S ANSWER:

Clint Courtney was the first major league catcher to wear glasses. Courtney, *The Sporting News*' 1952 AL Rookie of the Year, enjoyed a 11-year career with the New York Yankees, St. Louis Browns/Baltimore Orioles, Washington Senators, Chicago White Sox, and Kansas City Athletics. Joe Fagan, 3L, was the first with the correct answer. And so comes to a close Advocate Sports Trivia. A tip of the cap from your "leisurely" outgoing sports editor.

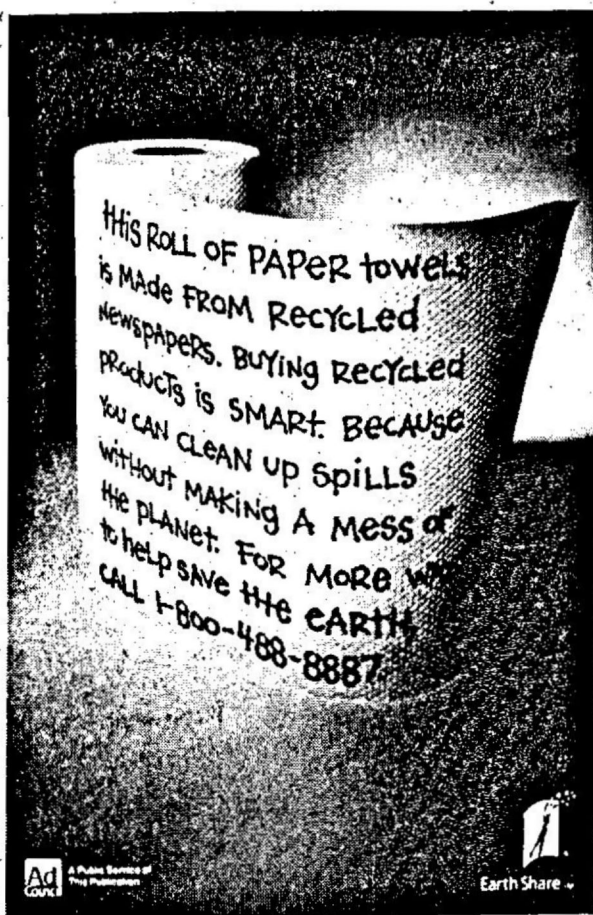
## RFK cont'd from 13

Pirates 4, Orioles 3, mostly on bloop home runs - was inconsequential. What was of consequence was that it may have been the last meeting for the NLC chapter of the Washington Senators Fan Club, a group that, in its brief existence, entertained, informed and educated while holding out the slimmest of hopes that major league baseball would return to the nation's capital.

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# Out Drinking

with Ed Johnson



## Bardo, Son of Amdo

North Arlington is turning into a hotbed of bar activity, a boon to the masses of us out in the 'burbs. Latest on the scene is Bardo, brought to you by the same folks who started up Amdo further down Wilson Boulevard. (See "Roratonga/Amdo: Fraternal Twins," Out Drinking, 10/26/92.) Apparently Amdo's smashing success has prompted management to seek larger quarters, because Bardo can be summed up simply as Amdo on a bigger scale.

Much bigger, in fact. Located in the old Olmstead Oldsmobile dealership, Bardo advertises itself as "the largest brew pub east of Chicago." It takes up the entire dealership space—showroom, service bays, and storage area. Four hundred can be seated with ease, double that SRO if the fire marshal looks the other way. One big plus is that a no-smoking section takes up roughly half the space. The benefit is lessened because that section is situated between two smoking sections, one of which is at the entrance. You still walk out of the place smelling like the bottom floor of the Marvin Center.

The entrance continues Amdo's automotive theme, also on a grander scale: an entire car is built into the plate glass window in a simulated crash scene. The car, a Plymouth Fury, also serves as a CD jukebox (no surprise there). Why the car isn't an Oldsmobile is beyond me; the bartender certainly didn't know. Inside, the sort of South Seas/Tex-Mex dive theme continues as in its up-Wilson sibling. The rear smoking section features murals that look like a peyote-induced dream.

Like Amdo, Bardo boasts a wide variety of oddly-named beers on tap. Unlike Amdo, several of those beers are produced on site. The brewing vats, guarded by a cardboard cutout of Mr. Goodwrench (left behind?), are in plain view; they lack the ostentatious copper trim of those at Capitol City Brewing Company. Several unused tanks form a part of the interior and

exterior decor. Prices remain the same as per Amdo; typically \$10-11 per pitcher, though "exotics" like Anchor Old Foghorn go for over \$12 per. Outrageous no matter how good the brew.

A full menu is available at Bardo. All selections are oddly named and all except a chicken curry are available in vegetarian versions. I discovered that pita slices—served with the best hummus around for \$2.99—make an excellent palate cleanser between pitchers. Sort of like sorbet for boozers.

For me, Bardo's biggest selling point is also its biggest drawback. While its cavernous dimensions make it an ideal group outing site, the intimacy and comfort of a smaller bar is missing. When the bar isn't full, you feel like everyone can hear your conversations. It's cold and drafty and the roof leaks in places; it almost dripped into my beer. I had a hard time finding the bathrooms; they weren't relocated in the redesign. (I'm certain management is paying a song to rent the Olmstead site; the lessors don't have to pay for demolition and reap a little profit in the process.)

While Amdo has packed them in regularly, I'm not dead certain Bardo will do the same. After the novelty wears off, crowds might stay away except on weekends. Although the brew pub phenomenon has awakened Americans' beer palates, I'm not so sure it won't fade away, like sushi bars, mechanical bulls and karaoke clubs. It'd also be a shame if management decides to close down Amdo; even though the Sears store next door will close soon, it doesn't seem likely that Amdo gets much spillover business. On the other hand, Bardo seems like the kind of place that will rock in the summertime, especially if they roll back the garage doors for some open-air partying.

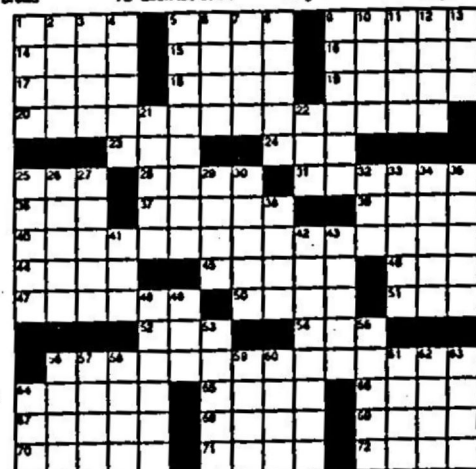
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